

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A semiconductor device comprising:

a heavily-doped diffusion layer formed, by using a dopant ion having a relatively large mass number, in an epitaxial region of silicon included in at least an upper portion of an epitaxial semiconductor substrate.

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2. The semiconductor device of Claim 1,

wherein said epitaxial region has a  $\langle 110 \rangle$ -oriented zone axis.

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3. The semiconductor device of Claim 1,

wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer is formed by using, as said dopant ion, an indium ion at a dose of  $5 \times 10^{13}/\text{cm}^{-2}$  or more.

4. The semiconductor device of Claim 1,

wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer corresponds to a pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer of a MIS semiconductor device, and

said MIS semiconductor device includes:

a gate electrode formed above said epitaxial region with a gate insulating film sandwiched therebetween;

a source/drain heavily-doped diffusion layer of a first conductivity type formed in a source/drain region of said epitaxial region at a distance from a region below a side face of said gate electrode;

an extension heavily-doped diffusion layer of the

first conductivity type formed in said epitaxial region between said source/drain heavily-doped diffusion layer and said region below the side face of said gate electrode and having shallower junction than said source/drain heavily-doped diffusion layer; and

said pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer of a second conductivity type formed in said epitaxial region under said extension heavily-doped diffusion layer.

5. The semiconductor device of Claim 4, wherein said extension heavily-doped diffusion layer is formed by using an antimony ion as a dopant.

6. A semiconductor device comprising:

a heavily-doped diffusion layer formed, by using a dopant ion having a relatively large mass number, in a semiconductor substrate having a <110>-oriented zone axis.

7. The semiconductor device of Claim 6, wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer is formed by using, as said dopant ion, an indium ion at a dose of  $5 \times 10^{13}/\text{cm}^{-2}$  or more.

8. The semiconductor device of Claim 6, wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer corresponds to a pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer of a MIS semiconductor device, and

said MIS semiconductor device includes:

a gate electrode formed above said semiconductor

substrate with a gate insulating film sandwiched therebetween;

5 a source/drain heavily-doped diffusion layer of a first conductivity type formed in a source/drain region of said semiconductor substrate at a distance from a region below a side face of said gate electrode;

10 an extension heavily-doped diffusion layer of the first conductivity type formed in said semiconductor substrate between said source/drain heavily-doped diffusion layer and said region below the side face of said gate electrode and having shallower junction than said source/drain heavily-doped diffusion layer; and

15 said pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer of a second conductivity type formed in said semiconductor substrate under said extension heavily-doped diffusion layer.

9. The semiconductor substrate of Claim 8,

wherein said extension heavily-doped diffusion layer is formed by using an antimony ion as a dopant.

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20 10. A method for fabricating a semiconductor device comprising:

a step of forming a heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a dopant ion having a relatively large mass number into an epitaxial region of silicon included in at least an upper portion of an epitaxial semiconductor substrate.

25 11. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device

of Claim 10,

wherein said epitaxial region has a <110>-oriented zone axis.

12. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device  
5 of Claim 10,

wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer is formed by using, as said dopant ion, an indium ion at a dose of  $5 \times 10^{13}/\text{cm}^{-2}$  or more.

13. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device  
10 of Claim 10,

wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer corresponds to a pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer of a MIS semiconductor device, and

the method for fabricating said MIS semiconductor  
15 device includes the steps of:

forming a gate electrode above said epitaxial region with a gate insulating film sandwiched therebetween;

forming a first dopant layer to be used as said pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a first  
20 dopant of a first conductivity type corresponding to said dopant ion into said epitaxial region with said gate electrode used as a mask;

forming a second dopant layer to be used as an extension heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a  
25 second dopant of a second conductivity type into said

epitaxial region to have shallower junction than said first dopant layer with said gate electrode used as a mask; and

forming a sidewall on a side face of said gate electrode, and forming a third dopant layer to be used as a source/drain heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a third dopant of the second conductivity type into said epitaxial region to have deeper junction than said second dopant layer with said gate electrode and said sidewall used as a mask.

14. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 13, further comprising a step of forming a fourth dopant layer to be used as a channel diffusion layer by implanting a fourth dopant of the first conductivity type into said epitaxial region before forming said gate electrode.

15. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 13,

wherein said second dopant is an antimony ion.

16. A method for fabricating a semiconductor device comprising:

a step of forming a heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a dopant ion having a relatively large mass number into a semiconductor substrate under conditions for suppressing dislocation loop defects caused in said semiconductor substrate.

17. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device

of Claim 16,

wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer is formed by using, as said dopant ion, an indium ion at a dose of  $5 \times 10^{13}/\text{cm}^{-2}$  or more.

5 18. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 16,

wherein said dopant ion is implanted at a current density of approximately  $100 \mu\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$  or less.

10 19. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 16,

wherein said dopant ion is implanted at an angle of approximately 30 degrees or more against a vertical direction to a substrate surface of said semiconductor substrate.

15 20. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 16,

wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer corresponds to a pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer of a MIS semiconductor device, and

20 the method for fabricating said MIS semiconductor device includes the steps of:

forming a gate electrode above said semiconductor substrate with a gate insulating film sandwiched therebetween;

25 forming a first dopant layer to be used as said pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a first

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dopant of a first conductivity type corresponding to said dopant ion into said semiconductor substrate with said gate electrode used as a mask;

forming a second dopant layer to be used as an extension heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a second dopant of a second conductivity type into said semiconductor substrate to have shallower junction than said first dopant layer with said gate electrode used as a mask; and

forming a sidewall on a side face of said gate electrode, and forming a third dopant layer to be used as a source/drain heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a third dopant of the second conductivity type into said semiconductor substrate to have deeper junction than said second dopant layer with said gate electrode and said sidewall used as a mask.

21. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 20, further comprising a step of forming a fourth dopant layer to be used as a channel diffusion layer by implanting a fourth dopant of the first conductivity type into said semiconductor substrate before forming said gate electrode.

22. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 20,

wherein said second dopant is an antimony ion.

23. A method for fabricating a semiconductor device comprising:

5 a step of forming a heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a dopant ion having a relatively large mass number into a semiconductor substrate having a  $\langle 110 \rangle$ -oriented zone axis.

24. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 23,

10 wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer is formed by using, as said dopant ion, an indium ion at a dose of  $5 \times 10^{13}/\text{cm}^{-2}$  or more.

25. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 23,

15 wherein said heavily-doped diffusion layer corresponds to a pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer of a MIS semiconductor device, and

the method for fabricating said MIS semiconductor device includes the steps of:

20 forming a gate electrode above said semiconductor substrate with a gate insulating film sandwiched therebetween;

forming a first dopant layer to be used as said pocket heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a first dopant of a first conductivity type corresponding to said  
25 dopant ion into said semiconductor substrate with said gate



electrode used as a mask;

forming a second dopant layer to be used as an extension heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a second dopant of a second conductivity type into said semiconductor substrate to have shallower junction than said first dopant layer with said gate electrode used as a mask; and

forming a sidewall on a side face of said gate electrode, and forming a third dopant layer to be used as a source/drain heavily-doped diffusion layer by implanting a third dopant of the second conductivity type into said semiconductor substrate to have deeper junction than said second dopant layer with said gate electrode and said sidewall used as a mask.

26. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 25, further comprising a step of forming a fourth dopant layer to be used as a channel diffusion layer by implanting a fourth dopant of the first conductivity type into said semiconductor substrate before forming said gate electrode.

27. The method for fabricating a semiconductor device of Claim 25,

wherein said second dopant is an antimony ion.

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